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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yongyong XU Confirmation No.: 4963
Serial No.: 10/710,964 Group Art Unit: 2168
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For: Resource based virtual communities

RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Officer:

This is the response to the Office Action dated as mailed on February 21, 2008.

Due to medical emergencies (a surgery), I was not able to file within the 3 months deadlines. Accompanying this response is a petition for a two month extension of time and the appropriate fee of \$230 for small entity pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(b) and 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Amendment

Please amend the claims identified in the above application as follows: